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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed are the following documents:

- 1. Form PTO-1449 (1 pages);
- 2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (6 pages);
- 3. Transmittal Letter (1 page);
- 4. Cited Art (2); and
- 5. Return Postcard.

If any additional fees are required to be paid or if any overpayment has been made, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Type of Statement

The present Information Disclosure Statement is:

[] An original Information Disclosure Statement; or

[X] A supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed:

[]	Pursua	ant to 37	7 CFR § 1.97(b); no fee or certification is required:	
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		a conti	inued prosecution application under § 1.53(d);	
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		in § 1.	491 in an international application;	
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		contin	ued examination under § 1.114.	
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			statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign	
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- [X] Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(d), after the mailing date of any of a final action under § 1.113, a notice of allowance under § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application; Applicant hereby *both*:
 - [] Certifies that either:
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information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement; and

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Content of the Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the reference(s) listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

Applicant includes copies of references as indicated below:

- [X] A copy of each cited reference not indicated with a † is included;
- [] Copies of references indicated with a † on the attached form PTO-1449 are not included pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(d) because they were previously provided to the United States Patent Office in an Information Disclosure Statement that complies with 37 CFR § 1.98(a)-(c) and was submitted in the following patent application that is relied upon in the present case for an earlier effective filing date under 35 USC § 120:

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[] Copies of English translations of one or more non-English references are included.

Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the aboveidentified application:

Applicant certifies that the Information Disclosure Statement either:

- [X] Does not contain non-English language citations;
- [] Includes one or more translations of a non-English citation; or
- [] Does contain non-English language citations, of which the following is a concise explanation:

Remarks

The submission of this Information Disclosure Statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made.

The submission of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information cited in the statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(b).

The submission of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 USC § 102.

It is respectfully requested that:

- 1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
- 2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited patent(s) and publication(s) has (have) been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and

3. The citations for the patent(s) and publication(s) be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

Notwithstanding any statements by Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusions regarding the relevance of the cited reference(s).

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